

Executive Registry

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Mrs. Ruth B. Shipley
Director, Passport Office
Department of State
Washington, D. C.

Dear Ruth:

I have a letter from a great friend of mine appealing on behalf of [] a musical genius who lives most of the time in Austria and who, I gather, is having some difficulty about his American passport. My friend writes about him, "He has met Mrs. Shipley and she was always very nice and friendly - but he knows how just and independent she is - and is afraid to write to her in his own cause, in case she would think he was trying to curry favours. Is it possible to do anything about this?"

I know little about the merits of the case except that [] is eminent in the field of music. Could you let me know how the case stands.

Sincerely yours,

Allen W. Dulles
Deputy Director

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